MINUTES FOR THE JUNEAU COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE **COMMITTEE & COMMISSION MEETING**

The Veterans Service Committee & Commission meeting was called to order at 8:15 am on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, in the Veterans Service Office by the Chair Roy Granger. Present at the meeting were members Roy Granger, Jack Jasinski, John Ard, Colin Moten, Veteran Service Officer and Lori Buss, Benefits Specialist.

Meeting called to order by Roy Granger.

Roll Call by Roy Granger. All members present.

Proper Posting of the Confirmation of Legal Meeting Notice by Roy Granger.

Approval of the minutes from the March 15, 2022 meeting. Motion to approve minutes proposed by Jack, approved by John. Closed minutes. All in favor, motion approved and carried.

Discussion Ensued on the following Office Business:

Office Update:

- 1. WI CVSO Conference Both Colin and Lori attended the CVSO Conference held in LaCrosse, April 18-22, 2022, which is part of the required continuing education training to keep accreditation and cross accreditation with service organizations. This allows us to legally assist Veterans with claims, and see claims from start to finish via VA's system.
- 2. Commission Funds We issued two Veterans commission indigent funds for Festival Foods and Kwik Trip.
- 3. Youth Government Days We had Youth Government Days on May 6, we had 50 students and 6 chaperones go to departments for brief overviews, they also were part of a mock trial with Judge Curran and Attorney's Hamm and Curran. The American Legion supplied the pizzas. Colin was asked if this could be switched to the fall vs. spring. They will look into considering changing this to the fall.
- 4. Jack inquired about incarcerated Veterans who get released, Colin said we work with them for VA housing through private or non-profit groups to aid in housing.
- 5. Flags Colin distributed the Memorial Day flags at the county American Legion meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. Colin mentioned we are getting busier due to picking up Veterans from other counties, who are booked out a couple of months. We might not be able to take as many walk-ins, but will set up an appointment with those walk-ins.

The next Committee/Commission meeting:

Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at 8:15 am.

A Motion to Adjourn was made by Jack, second by John. All in favor, motion approved and carried.

Respectfully Submitted by, Colin Moten, Juneau County Veterans Service Officer